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FORMER CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION OFFICER SENTENCED TO PRISON FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

TUCSON, Ariz. – Former Customs and Border Protection Officer Charles Wood, 57, of Tucson, Ariz., was sentenced here today to 28 months in prison, to be followed by lifetime supervised release with stringent sex offender conditions, by U.S. District Judge Cindy K. Jorgenson. Wood was also ordered to provide a DNA sample and to register as a sex offender upon his release from custody.

Wood had pleaded guilty to possessing over 300 child pornography images on his home computer, many of which were of pre-pubescent minors under the age of 12 and which he acquired over the internet. He was arrested on May 20, 2004 by agents of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement in connection with execution of a search warrant at his residence. At that time, Wood was employed as an Officer for the United States Customs and Border Protection Agency.

It was recommended by the government that Wood be accepted into an appropriate federal facility for treatment as a sexual offender during his prison sentence.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the Nogales office of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The prosecution was handled by Carin C. Duryee, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson, Ariz.

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